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Venezuelan Media Behavior (FYI/4)

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FBIS has observed Venezuelan media to behave as follows:

The two Caracas television stations, Venezolana de Television Network Channel 8 in Spanish and Televen Canal 10 in Spanish, were observed at approximately 1523 GMT to have returned to educational and entertainment programming. Both stations, however, are carrying news briefs concerning the coup attempt interspersed throughout their programming.

Caracas Radio Rumbos Network in Spanish became unheard by FBIS after 1415 GMT. San Cristobal Ecos del Torbes has continued special reporting on the current events. San Cristobal Radio Tachira in Spanish ended its special reporting after 1430 GMT and is currently heard to carry musical programming.

3. Caracas International Service in Spanish, English, and French (Radio Nacional de Venezuela) was observed signing on at 1420 GMT, or 20 minutes after its normal signon, and was not carrying any reports on the coup attempt. The station was unheard after 1425 GMT.

Further as warranted.

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